

## Message Text

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TAGS: FAO, APER, AORG, WFP, EAGR, UN

SUBJECT: WORLD FOOD PROGRAM PERSONNEL

REF: ROME 7641, STATE 107379

1. DE MEREDIEU, CHEF DE CABINET OF FAO DIRECTOR GENERAL  
SAOUMA, CALLED TO SAY HE HAD TALKED TO SAOUMA ON MAY 12.  
SAOUMA WAS PLEASED TO HAVE OUR MESSAGE ON VOGEL AND THOUGHT  
THE APPOINTMENT COULD GO AHEAD, BUT NOT UNTIL SAOUMA HAD  
SPOKEN AGAIN WITH SECRETARY GENERAL WALDHEIM ON JULY 4  
AT THE ACC MEETING.

2. DE MEREDIEU THEN SAID HE WAS PUTTING SAOUMA'S REPLY  
IN WRITING. HIS TEXT FOLLOWS. BEGIN TEXT:

THE DIRECTOR GENERAL HAS REQUESTED ME TO ASK YOU TO  
CONVEY TO THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT HIS THANKS FOR  
THIS COMMUNICATION, OF WHICH HE HAS TAKEN GOOD NOTE.

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THIS INFORMATION, TOGETHER WITH THE OTHER ELEMENTS  
ALREADY AT HIS DISPOSAL, WILL ENABLE HIM TO TAKE A  
FINAL DECISION IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

AS THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT WILL UNDERSTAND,  
HOWEVER, THE DIRECTOR GENERAL IS NOT IN A POSITION TO  
DECIDE IMMEDIATELY, SINCE HE MUST TAKE INTO ACCOUNT ALL

ASPECTS OF THIS DELICATE AND IMPORTANT ISSUE AND, ABOVE ALL, COORDINATE HIS POSITION WITH THAT OF SECRETARY GENERAL WALDHEIM, WHOM HE WILL MEET ON 4 JULY, ON THE OCCASION OF THE ACC MEETING.

SHOULD A FINAL DECISION BE TAKEN AT THAT TIME, THE DIRECTOR GENERAL, WHO HAS ALREADY CONSULTED WITH SECRETARY GENERAL WALDHEIM ON THIS QUESTION OF PROCEDURE, CONSIDERS THAT THERE WOULD BE NO NEED TO WAIT UNTIL THE NEXT SESSION OF THE CFA TO INFORM MEMBER COUNTRIES OF THEIR JOINT PROPOSAL, SINCE THIS COULD EASILY BE DONE BY CORRESPONDENCE.

ACCORDINGLY, THE DIRECTOR GENERAL DOES NOT CONSIDER THAT IT WOULD BE FEASIBLE OR APPROPRIATE THAT STATEMENTS CONCERNING THIS SUBJECT BE MADE AT THE FORTHCOMING SESSION OF THE CFA, WHICH IS TO START ON 16 MAY 1977, AND HE FEELS SURE THAT THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT WILL UNDERSTAND HIS POSITION. END TEXT  
GARDNER

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